# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE
# LOK SABHA

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Tree Plantation
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**Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government proposes to give incentives to farmers to plant trees in their fields and if so, the details thereof; and

(b) the steps taken by the Government to provide saplings/plants to farmers free of cost for the development of plantation in the country?

## Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

(SHRI ANIL MADHAV DAVE)

(a) As per the information received from the Ministry of Agriculture, Co-operation and Farmer's Welfare, Agro-forestry as a farming system is being promoted under Rain-fed Area Development (RAD) component of National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture (NMSA). Further, growing trees on farm bund including horticulture plants are encouraged under agricultural development programmes like National Food Security Mission (NFSM), Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH), Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY) etc. To promote trees on farmland which are suitable to different agro-ecological regions and land use conditions, National Agro-forestry Policy has been formulated by Ministry of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers Welfare.

(b)The State Governments under their various schemes related to social forestry have the provision for distribution of saplings/plants to farmers on free of cost/subsidised rates/no loss no profit basis to promote tree cover in the non-forest areas.

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